

Mankiewicz To Visit MWC

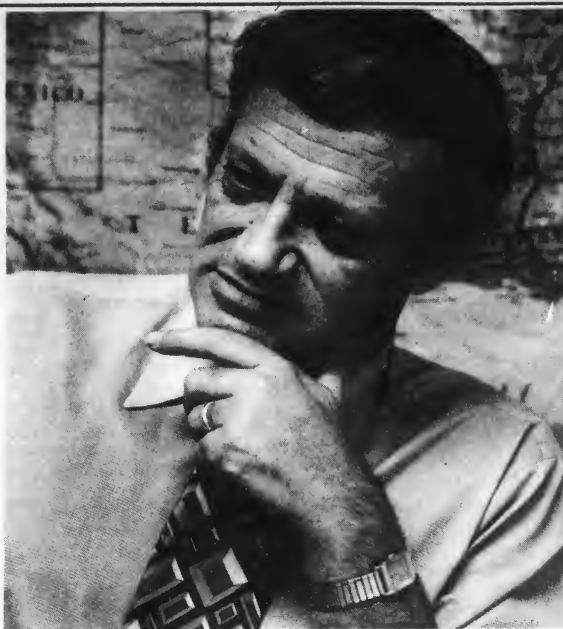
Frank Mankiewicz, journalist, author and former political aide to Robert Kennedy and George McGovern, has been selected as this year's Distinguished Visitor in Residence at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg. The former syndicated columnist will be at the College April 1 and 2 to visit classes, to hold informal question-and-answer sessions and to deliver a major public address.

Mankiewicz will be the sixth Distinguished Visitor in Residence (DVIR) at Mary Washington College. The DVIR program, aimed at bringing nationally known scholars, artists and political figures to the College, was begun in 1970 by the MWC Alumni Association. The previous Distinguished Visitors have been anthropologist Margaret Mead, social activist Saul Alinsky, historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr., novelist Chaim

Potok and Choreographer Agnes DeMille.

Once a practicing lawyer, Mankiewicz has had a varied career in politics and journalism. Among the posts he has held are those of Latin American Regional Director for the Peace Corps; Press Secretary for Robert Kennedy; and, National Political Director for George McGovern in the 1972 Presidential campaign. In addition, he has written three books on current events: two on the rise and fall of Richard Nixon, *Nixon From Whittier to Watergate* and *US vs. Nixon* and one based on an exclusive interview with Cuba's Fidel Castro, *With Fidel*.

The highlight of his upcoming visit to Mary Washington College will be a major speech at 8:00 p.m. April 1 in the Auditorium of George Washington Hall which will be open to the public without charge.



Press photo

Frank Mankiewicz, Distinguished Visitor in Residence, will speak at MWC this week.

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Employment Prospects Sport Slightly Brighter Picture

A ray of hope—or just a mirage? That's the big question surrounding employment prospects for this year's college graduates, according to A. Isabel Gordon career planning and placement director at Mary Washington College, a participating institution in the national Salary Survey conducted by the College Placement Council.

Data just compiled by the Council indicate the picture is brighter now than only a few months ago when CPC conducted a similar survey. The prospects still have a long way to go, however, before they catch up with last year. And just about everybody agreed that 1974-75 was a tough year for finding a job.

The good news is that the general outlook appears headed in a positive direction. The puzzling news is: what's happening to job offers to engineers and to master of business administration candidates?

In November, the Council asked employers for estimates of the number of college graduates they would hire in 1975-76. At that time, things look best for engineering and MBA candidates. But the offers appear slow in materializing.

The latest (March) CPC Salary Survey shows the number of offers in both engineering and MBA disciplines to be running well behind the figures of a year ago. Volume in engineering at the bachelor's level is down 23 per cent and in the two MBA categories it is off even more—49 per cent for candidates with a technical undergraduate degree and 36 per cent for those with a non-technical background. In other disciplines, however, the latest CPC findings generally support employer estimates made last Fall.

The CPC Salary Survey, now in its sixteenth year, is based on job offers, not acceptances, made to college students in selected curricula and graduate

programs during the normal recruiting period, September 1 to the end of June. Data are submitted on an ongoing basis by 159 colleges and universities throughout the United States for job openings in a broad range of functional areas except teaching. Three reports are issued each year—in January, March and July.

As for the current picture, compared with last March, the number of job offers reported for bachelor's-degree candidates is down 16 per cent. Master's volume has decreased 25 per cent and doctoral volume is off 32 per cent. Although still on the negative side, these figures are a marked improvement over the picture in January when bachelor's volume was down 37 per cent, master's 33 per cent and doctoral 51 per cent.

The big unknown, according to a CPC official, is whether this relative improvement is because employers are indeed making more job offers than they had planned to, or whether it is attributable to timing of offers. Are offers being made later this season—too late to be reflected in CPC's early surveys? And, in the case of engineering and MBA discipline, will the offers that were anticipated in the Fall materialize eventually?

"Unfortunately, we won't know the answers until we do our final Salary Survey in July," the CPC official stated. "There are reports from the field that the number of interviews is holding up but that employers are delaying decisions on job offers. So, it is still too early to draw conclusions."

The brightest picture in the current report is for women candidates. At the bachelor's level, women have received 27 per cent more job offers than at the same point a year ago, while the number for men has decreased 20 per cent. At the master's level, the volume for women is up 36 per cent; for men, it is down 13 per cent. While offers to women increased, they still represent just 16 per cent of the

total at the bachelor's level and 15 per cent at the master's.

The humanities and social sciences disciplines have experienced the greatest bachelor's-level decline in volume at 26 per cent. Then comes the 23 per cent drop in the engineering curricula, followed by the sciences with a 12 per cent decrease and the business fields with a 4 per cent drop. Engineering and business disciplines still account for 89 per cent of all the offers reported.

Among types of employers, firms in the business sector (public accounting, banking-finance-insurance, and merchandising and services) have made approximately the same or slightly more job offers than in the same period last year.

In terms of dollar averages, petroleum engineering tops the bachelor's list with a gain of 8.6 per cent since the end of the 1974-75 season. The other engineering dollar averages at the bachelor's level have increased from 4 per cent to just under 7 per cent since July. Chemistry has realized one of the largest gains, moving up 3.9 since January for a total increase of 8.4 per cent since the close of last year.

Accounting, with little change in volume of offers, has experienced only a modest increase of 3.8 per cent in dollar average. In the other disciplines, the dollar averages remain about the same as in July or have increased slightly. Dollar averages at the bachelor's level range from a high of \$1,399 a month for petroleum engineering to a low of \$715 a month for those students graduating with humanities majors.

At the master's-degree level, chemical engineering, with a 5.3 per cent increase to \$1,379, commands the top dollar average. Next is the average for the MBA (technical background) category at \$1,328, about the same as last year's close. Historically, however, salary offers to MBA's begin moving up after mid-year.

spring formal weekend

What's going on ---

Friday, April 2: MovieNight
8pm-2a.m. G.W. Free! Show I.D.'s

Saturday, April 3: Spring Formal!
9pm-1a.m. ACL Ballroom \$6.00 per couple
Tickets go on sale March 23 in Student Services
(a limited # of tickets will be sold)
Band: The Tams! and The Backstabbers

Sunday, April 4: Outdoor Concert on Ball Circle
Mission Mountain Wood Band & another band
12-5p.m. Free!

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Fairy Tale

Once upon a time, in a dull, gray semi-wasteland lived a little girl named Dorothy and her tropical fish Toto. Now, Dorothy did not lead a very exciting life. In fact, besides registering for her room as a senior, burning incense, drinking at house parties and reading Grimms, Dorothy's lifestyle was a plain bore. Of course, she participated in jousting tournaments with the bathroom roaches. However, the pests, not being well-bred, tended to be terribly poor sports.

One windy morning the wicked witch of the west cycled up to Dorothy's front door at 80 m.p.h. The witch demanded that Dorothy forfeit her fictitious character rights and her tiny Toto too.

"But, it's against the law!" Dorothy exclaimed with a great deal of passion. "You said that I could keep my pet!"

The witch replied, "That's tough kid! You should have realized that what I said wasn't exactly in the contract and any simple senior can tell you contracts are binding. Now hand over the fish ever so gently. NA NA NA Na Na Na!"

Well, Dorothy just huffed and she puffed. Then she packed her bags and hopped on the 3:30 Trailways to see the Wizard of Oz, a great and powerful state legislator. The witch discarded Toto and was immediately hired as college administrator. The roaches, who are now renting Dorothy's room are living happily ever after, because they got to register as four year students along with their roommates and families.

EDJ

Bullet Elections

Annual Bulletelections and appointments will be held next week, April 5, in the staffroom, 303 ACL. The Editorial Board positions of Editor, Managing Editor, Business Manager, News Editor and Features Editor will be elected at 4:00 p.m. Appointed posts include Sports Editor, two Layout Editors, Advertising Manager, Circulation Manager and Secretary will be announced at 5:00 p.m.

Any MWC student is eligible for one of these staff seats. Prior experience on the *Bullet*, though not mandatory, is highly recommended. Applications, consisting of a qualification sheet and statement of why one is seeking the seat is due personally to Nina Biggar (505 Bushnell) by noon on April 5. All applications must be typed and signed.

Further details of duties and requirements of each position will be given at the weekly staff meeting, Monday nights, 6:00 p.m. in 303 ACL. Anyone interested in an area of the publication should contact Nina Biggar at x230.

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Backfire

Activities Fee

I am writing this letter in order to inform the students of Virginia of the reasoning behind, and the present status of, legislation which I introduced in the 1976 session of the Virginia General Assembly dealing with mandatory student activities fees at Virginia's state supported colleges and universities. As you may know, House Bill 547 would require that no state supported institution of higher learning could levy a mandatory student activities fee unless such a fee was approved in a referendum—with at least 40 per cent of the students voting—at least once every four years. In addition, any student who was opposed to paying such a fee could opt out of paying the fee and be charged a reasonable amount for those activities in which he or she chose to participate at the institution.

In the process of reviewing and discussing House Bill 547, I was made aware, largely through the input of concerned students, of many difficulties which this legislation might create. However, the reason why I introduced the legislation has not changed. I am still concerned about the equity of requiring students at our state supported colleges and universities to support, through a mandatory fee, organizations and activities which they may have no interest in or which they may actively oppose. You may be aware that this matter has recently been of considerable interest to other state legislatures and university administrators across the country.

In order to take a look at the subject of mandatory student activities fees and allow full participation by interested members of the public, I have requested that House Bill 547 be carried over to the 1977 session of the General Assembly. In the interim, a subcommittee, composed of legislators and members of the public (with student representation) will conduct a study of this matter and hold public hearings across the state.

I have very much appreciated the assistance and input of student leaders in this matter and would hope that Virginia's students would actively participate in this study. Hopefully, the result will be an improvement for the benefit of the students of our Commonwealth.

Wyatt B. Durrette Jr.
House of Delegates
Eighteenth District

The *Bullet* ran an article about me at the beginning of this semester as a student returning after a seven-year absence. It was a good article and I enjoyed it, but there is one change I have found here at MWC that had no place in a humorous article and that deserves discussion—the Honor Code.

I was in the bookstore today and found behind a stack of books a clearasil box with the cellophane torn and the tube removed. I was startled at this evidence of a rip-off at MWC, but Mr. Reed was not at all surprised. He said he found



wrappers tucked behind other merchandise all the time and that a certain type of felt tip pen was shoplifted so frequently he had finally put them in the glass case. He then added a few comments about the MWC Honor Code which probably should not be published without permission.

This exemplified lots of other incidents I had previously only heard about this year. I mentioned the disappearance of linen napkins from Seacobeck as one of the changes that had been made and was told that they had been stolen faster than they could be replaced. And someone else chimed in with the information that thousands of dollars worth of silverware has disappeared in just one year.

Another time I was at lunch and a resident student asked me if I were a day student (because I "looked older"). She was very friendly and did not seem at all concerned by the fact that if I were, I was not authorized to eat there.

The February 16 *Bullet* published an editorial by EDJ about the vanishing posters from the bulletin boards and a letter to the editor about the disappearance of a pair of shoes from a locker. The *Bullet* just last week ran an article on the increase of petty larceny, including theft of equipment in Melchers (hopefully by a non-MWCer).

The real blow came during elections when I was informed (not by a candidate) that being an Honor Representative was a real breeze because the Honor Council had not received one complaint for the past couple of years.

The point is, that whether the hearsay above is true or not, everyone accepts it as so, shrugs their shoulders and dismisses it. I am not going to try to tell you that when I was a freshman here in 1966 nothing was ever stolen, but I will mention that when some clothes were taken from a room the whole dormitory was confined to the parlor, the police were called and every room was searched; I don't remember any complaints that this solution was extreme. Now the part of the Honor Code where students were required to fink on each other seems to have disappeared, but if you will turn to your Handbook (pg. 79), you will find a sentence about each student creating "a spirit of honesty." The question is: Why did EDJ not make a complaint to the Honor Council against the girls she did see making off with a poster and why does no one consider it their responsibility to ask the day students to leave Seacobeck? You will note, too, that stealing is still against the Honor Pledge and rip-off, shoplifting, unauthorized lurching and disappearing posters, by

whatever euphemism, still stinks.

I know of no example of academic violation of the Honor Code, but with these so easily collected samples of other violations before me, I cannot believe that it is not going on. If in just seven years shoplifting has become common at the MWC bookstore, how soon will it be before professors start proctoring exams and merchants stop accepting checks without two other I.D.'s and a pound of flesh? I suggest that the Honor Code is dying and that we should decide whether we want it (and then work for it) or whether we should just scrap the whole thing and stop being hypocritical. After all, we are the generation that fought for open morality and open government; it seems to me that in talking Honor Code and acting ho-hum (yawn) we miss practicing what we preach.

I have no ready-made solutions and I realize that an all-dorm search is perhaps no longer applicable; but I refuse to believe that we could not find any solutions if we wanted to look. Are the Freshmen still indoctrinated? Are the transfer students? I was officially classified as a transfer student when I returned and no one showed up to explain the Honor Code much less ask me to sign the Honor Pledge which supposedly must be signed before my grades are released (Handbook, page 79, again). How about an annual vote of confidence with automatic scrapping if there's not 100 per cent yes? After all, no one is forced to matriculate. Why not reinstate the fink clause? I could overcome my repugnance for a principle I believed in. How about a sign-out sheet for silverware and dishes from the dining hall as an added reminder to get the bowl you took salad to your roommate in back? How about publishing the dates and charges of every Honor trial and the student's name if found guilty? The *Christian Science Monitor* publishes a daily religious article, how about a weekly honor article (and I make no apologies for the allusion); it could explain the Code, discuss its history, compare other schools' Honor Code and their problems, point out perhaps unconscious violations and remind students continually that here, voluntarily, a high standard is expected as the usual. Are there other suggestions? Honor Council where are you? I have heard nothing from you or about you since my return to MWC six months ago—perhaps that's the problem.

Tracey Lee Logan

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Backfire Cont.

Art History Lives

Editor:

A point of information to the college as a whole. The reduction in the art department faculty has given rise to a rumor that the art history major is being phased out. This is not true! The art history major is alive and well and living in Melchers 52.

Barbara Meyer
Assistant Professor
History of Art

BYOB at MWC

Editor:

It is apparent as the months progress since Ms. Clement has taken office, that the college is undergoing major changes in policy with respect to student rights. In previous years, and indeed until Ms. Clement began her term, college policy was formulated by joint agreement of the Student Association and the administration and was written into the *Student Handbook*. That which did not appear in the handbook was not college policy and as such could not be acted upon by either party without the consent of the other. This was an acceptable state of affairs and provided for what little say the students had in college matters. Unfortunately, this has changed drastically as a result of Ms. Clement's assignment as Dean of Student Services.

The first and foremost example of the imminent demise of student power and concerns the issue of dorm parties. Nowhere does the *Handbook*, the voice of college policy, prohibit charging at BYOB parties. Not only is it legal in Virginia, but it has been a respected method of providing some semblance of social activity, as well as money for other dorm activities, at MWC for years. Suddenly, this right has been revoked and we have been informed that this is in opposition to "college policy." The new voice of college policy, it would seem, is Ms. Clement. When questioned as to the fact that the *Student Handbook* makes no mention of this "policy", the response was merely that it has been college policy for years. Why then have those attending BYOB dorm parties been charged for these many years with never a word from the administration? Ignoring the principles of the issue, then, the practical aspects were brought up. How does a dorm make money if it cannot charge at parties? The answer according to the Dean of Student Services: use the money from the Student Activity Fee allotted to the dorms at the beginning of the year. This sum, one dollar for each student, covers approximately one party; when then of the following months? In addition, Ms. Clement stated that the dorm was our "home" and one does not charge guests at one's home. This sentiment is nice perhaps, but nevertheless totally unrealistic. We live here yes, but it is not our home; we do not sign our guests in at home, brown-bag our liquor, receive hall offenses, participate in nocturnal fire drills, nor bide by any other of the countless restrictions and limitations of the dorm. Far from being a private residence, the dorm is specifically considered a public

place as is stated in the '75-'76 *Handbook* under college regulations. We are not complaining about these restrictions, merely drawing notice to the fact they do exist, and must exist in order to provide organization for a situation which is not like home. Therefore, while many may enjoy college accommodations more than their own homes, they still cannot equate a dorm with the "real thing." The point of this digression is that dorm life is subject to a different set of rules, not particularly applicable to home life. And as much, the financing of social activities via the dorm as a unit is both acceptable and necessary and thus charging at parties, be they BYOB or otherwise, is an equitable solution.

The administration may use this same argument however, to justify this new limitation on our freedom. If they have the authority to make us sign in guests, bag our booze, etc., so then they can decide for us on the issue of charging at parties. Our situation is analogous to that of an apartment tenant—he must live by the owner's rules after he has signed the contract. But, and this is most important, all obligations and rules must first have been specified and agreed to by both parties. This has not been the case here however, as neither the *Handbook* nor the housing contract, which contain the aforementioned specifications, mention the subject of charging at parties. This new policy has suddenly become part of our "contracts" three-fourths the way through the school year, a part which is not in writing and to which therefore we did not agree.


There is more however, in the continuing saga of the administration's campaign to limit student autonomy. Various members of the SA, Residential Hall Council, and other interested groups have put forth a proposal for charging at parties. President Woodard has complied by dictating a memorandum, on March 16, in which he presented the administration's arguments on the matter. He stated that "The residence halls at MWC were neither designed nor furnished to accommodate mass gatherings in the public area," and that "Of even greater importance is the safety factor involved. The construction is a number of the residence halls is such that it would be difficult to control a fire if one were to start." These arguments are undeniably weak with respect to the pertinent issue—that of charging admission. These reasons may conceivable be given as opposition to having parties at all, but not to whether one charges at them. Is he intimating that fire is less a possibility at a free party than at one where the guests have paid an admission fee? As for the building design, is he suggesting that the use of the parlors, basements, and other large rooms be limited to those practicing piano or watching TV? If no place on campus (barring the ballroom and Seacobeck's basement is "designed" for a "mass gathering" where, we wonder, should we hold our dorm meetings? At Virginia dorm, the parlor is sufficiently large to contain the 175 students who attend the mandatory dorm meetings with no problem. Perhaps it was not designed for this purpose but its adequacy

lends admirably to its use as such. (Note: Plan by the administration are afoot to analyze the "appropriate maximum occupancy capacity" of each possible party area in each dorm.) President Woodard's reasoning in this instance never touches upon the relevant question of our admission fee. A mass gathering is just as flammable and occupies just as much room whether its members have been freely admitted or charged.

The issue of charging admission to parties and indeed, the entire issue of having parties at all, may seem trivial to you. This case is indicative though, of more serious changes which have occurred recently. Thus what is important about this matter is what it represents in

principle. The administration is endeavoring to limit student autonomy and to control aspects of student life over which they should not have control. The SA, and the degree of freedom and communication which it gives to us as students, is threatened with becoming a mere figurehead—and that threat is one which will, in effect, affect us all.

Cathy Shelley
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Radio Committee Investigates Station Possibility

by Karen Jones

Much red tape must be processed and researched before Mary Washington College will have a campus radio station. The Student Government Radio Committee turned in a proposal on March 4 to President Prince Woodward, Vice President A. Ray Merchant and Comptroller Edward Allison concerning finances. Location for the tentative station will be agreed upon. President Woodward, who states that he is in favor of the idea of the station adds "whether the idea is feasible, I don't know. The committee is still researching equipment costs and other information."

The committee consulted with Keith Angstadt at WFVA and arrived at a total figure of \$3,450 to \$3,600. A Wilkinson Electrometer will cost \$2,600 and it contains two turntables with a console and preamps, one transmitter and one monitor of 10 amps. Miscellaneous costs are estimated at \$500 for extra turntables, a tape recorder and loudspeaker, plus \$300-\$500 will be needed for a Channel Search by a Registered Consulting Engineer. Angstadt is confident that the many services that assist in setting up stations would donate equipment. A radio antenna has been tentatively donated already.

The station would tape music from

private collections at first; however, approximately \$200 per year will be needed for tape and record acquisition later. The annual budget for operation expenses is estimated to be \$600. According to the proposal, the money will probably come from student activity fees, charity drives, radiothons, ticket sales at concerts and keg parties, grants and appropriations within the college budget.

The location is the main concern of the committee. A minimum of 80 square feet is needed for the broadcast studio which will also need to be acoustically tiled, a space for storage that is 10 square feet wide and 7 feet high, plus any small adjacent space for a business office. Former campus radio stations were located on the third floor of GW and DuPont; however, these locations are no longer available. Whatever the location, it will affect the cost. For instance, if the station is low (on or under the ground), the cost will be greater in order to construct a taller antenna.

After a location is decided upon and all the other details worked out, the administration and the Board of Visitors have to approve the proposal. Applications have to be made to the Federal Communication Commission for d finances which have to be checked by an

attorney and an engineer. When these and other regulations are met, the station will be licensed to Mary Washington College.

A club will be formed to operate the station and Bulent Atalay, physics professor, has volunteered to be the advisor. The management will be as follows: Station Manager, Business Manager, Classical Music Editor, General Music Editor, Music Research Staff, New Editor, New Research Staff and Announcers. The announcers will hold Third Class Operator licenses, which are easily attainable upon passing the FCC examination. By law, the station will have a First Class Radio Operator and a First Class Radio Engineer on call (but not present in the studio) during broadcast time. Spencer Greenwald, physicist at the Dahlgren Naval Class has volunteered to be First Class Operator and he knows a First Class Engineer who will volunteer or require a small fee.

The broadcasts will be given during the school session from 6 p.m. to midnight seven days a week. These times will be extended as participation grows. Each day has a unique program. For instance, an hour of classical and contemporary jazz music on Mondays; two hours of old songs (1900-1975) plus Broadway original soundtracks at 11 p.m. on Tuesdays; a

national best-selling album of the week on Wednesdays; the countdown of MWC's best-selling hit singles followed by an hour of classical music on Fridays; and one and a half hours of easy listening music on Saturday will be broadcast.

A continuous and diverse selection of music would be played nightly in the proportions reflected in the interest polls: Rock (30 per cent), Classical (20 per cent), Soul (20 per cent), Bluegrass (10 per cent), Jazz (10 per cent), and Easy Listening (10 per cent). Listeners will be able to phone in four hours weekly to request songs.

A four-minute program of national and local news will be given every hour on the hour beginning at 7 p.m. A special news program dealing with international campus news would be aired on Tuesdays and a campus sports commentary would be given once a week.

On Monday nights, responsible editorials will address problems shared by Fredericksburg and MWC. A one hour phone-in talk show will follow the editorial. According to FCC regulations, equal air time will be offered for opposing views.

For educational purposes, some lectures by community and college speakers would be broadcast on Wednesday nights. Saturday's album spotlight will include intellectual commentary on the album's composers and its instrumental techniques. The committee hopes that the Thursday classical music program will coincide with academic required listening assignments. Reviews on scholarly literature written by MWC professors will also be offered on Thursdays.

Once a station is established, arrangements could be made with national education broadcast agencies for low cost materials, according to the committee. The program sources range from Congressional news reports, foreign language broadcasts, symphony concerts, and health and medical programs to Mother Earth News and old-time radio series.

The Student Government Radio Committee is headed by co-chairpersons Eleanor Jones and Dariann Pijanowski and the main members are Marty Augherton, Lou Fonolleras, Bill Leighty, Celene Paulett, Mary Pierce, Conrad Weiser and Sheila Willis. This ad hoc committee was formed from volunteers at the Leadership Conference in August, 1975, to work with SA President Gwen Phillips.

Radio Committee Poll Results

% of Category answering poll	Residential students	Day students	Faculty	Total
Have had previous experience in field of broadcast communications.	7%	3%	16%	2%
Music Preferences:				
Rock and Roll (50's and 60's Rock Music)	26%	22%	12%	25%
Soft Rock (Joni Mitchell, James Taylor)	30%	22%	16%	30%
Hard Rock (Pink Floyd)	13%	10%	4%	13%
Classical (Opera)	15%	22%	46%	15/62%
Soul	12%	6%	2%	12%
Bluegrass	2%	14%	12%	2.8%
Jazz	1%	4%	8%	1%
Easy Listening	.1%			11%
Gospel	.07%			.07%

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- FURNISHINGS:** All rooms are furnished with beds, mattresses, chest of drawers or dresser, desks, and chairs. Movement of (including disassembling), college furniture or equipment from the room in which it is located is prohibited.
- The College does not furnish pillows, blankets, linen, towels, study lamps, irons, curtains, or bedspreads.
- PROHIBITED:** The following are prohibited in student rooms: air conditioners, personal refrigerators (over 60 watts), cooking and heating appliances, heavy electrical appliances, exterior radio or T.V. antennas, animals, firearms, and illegal drugs. Cooking or warming food or drink is not permitted.
- GENERAL CONDITION:** A room or suite may be used only for living and study purposes. Each student is responsible for the general condition of the room assigned to him or her. Charges for damages or defacement will be assessed the occupants and must be paid promptly. Defacement of the walls includes drawing and painting, or the use of nails, tacks, tape, or glue.
- T.V.'s and STEREO:** It is expected when using T.V. or Stereo sets that all students will respect the rights of others and will cooperate in maintaining an academic atmosphere.
- STORAGE:** Trunks and large suitcases must be labeled and placed in the storage rooms. All personal belongings must be removed from the room when the period of occupancy ends. A room must be vacated in good order not more than twenty-four (24) hours after the last scheduled final examination. Charges may be levied to cover the cost of extra custodial service required to move personal belongings or remove trash left in rooms.
- BICYCLES:** Normally bicycles may be stored at the College from one session to another. Special cases will be considered and permission must be obtained from the Housekeeping Office. No bicycle may be stored in trunk rooms, parked on porches, in hallways, or in individual rooms.
- SAFETY HAZARDS:** Drying racks, trunks, suitcases, boxes, etc., may not be placed in hallways on steps, or in doorways. Special locks, or chain locks on doors are prohibited.
- GUESTS:** Anyone not assigned to a room is considered a guest. Guests must sign the guest book in the residence hall office. This includes students spending the night in guest rooms in the residence hall. No guest of the opposite sex may remain in the residence hall overnight. No guest may remain on campus longer than twenty-four (24) hours. No guest is permitted in the residence hall during examination periods.
- SPECIAL RATES:** The majority of rooms are double accommodations. If one student is occupying double accommodations, he or she will be charged a special rate for the semester. A student wishing to avoid this charge must inform the Office of the Dean of Students that he or she wants reassignment, or a roommate.
- The College reserves the right to: a) change any room assignment or rate; b) enter the room to perform routine inspections, repairs or housekeeping tasks during student rooms or at any time in the event of an emergency; c) control the room in the event of an epidemic; d) terminate the housing agreement for violation of the terms and conditions listed above, for health, or for other reasons deemed sufficient by the Office of the Dean of Students.
- HOUSING AGREEMENT:** This Agreement is binding for the entire academic year. A student who occupies a room and later abandons it to reside off campus, will be charged room and board for the remainder of the semester. Exceptions include moves for reasons of marriage or health.

Office of the Dean of Students

HOUSING APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT

NAME _____ last _____ first _____ middle _____
HOME ADDRESS _____ number and street _____ city _____ state _____ zip _____
TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ CLASSIFICATION _____ Female Male _____
Fr., Soph., Jr., Sr.

It is most important that you as parent or guardian have read the Student Handbook and have reached an understanding as to what is expected of your daughter or son academically, residentially, and socially, by the College and by you. Hopefully, you have reached an agreement upon standards or guidelines for social events, out-of-room trips, means of transportation, drinking, dating, visitation, and other activities on and off campus. Each student and parent or guardian must accept the obligation to uphold the standards of conduct, to abide by the regulations of the College, and to assume his or her individual and corporate responsibilities in all of these matters.

VISITATION

(check one of the following)

- () Visitation from 11:00 a.m. to closing hour on Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
(Freshman visitation Friday, Saturday, and Sunday)
- () Visitation from 11:00 a.m. until closing hour any day of the week.
(upperclassmen only)
- () Off campus living.

Students who will be 21 years of age on or before August 24, 1974 need not have their form signed by a parent or guardian. It must, however, be signed by all returning and new residential students, and be on file in the residence hall where the student resides.

Please read both sides of this agreement before signing below.

(Parent(s) or Guardian(s))

(Student)

Date _____

Please bring this form with you and present it to the Residence Hall Director.

2/11/74

1975-76 Housing Agreement

MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE
FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA 22401

Office Of The Dean Of Student Services

LIFE STYLE AGREEMENT AND HOUSING CONTRACT

NAME _____ last _____ first _____ middle _____
HOME ADDRESS _____ Number and Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
HOME TELEPHONE NUMBER _____ ☐ FEMALE ☐ MALE
CURRENT COLLEGE RESIDENCE AND ROOM _____ TELEPHONE EXTENSION _____

The purpose of this form is to select a living style at Mary Washington College for the next academic year. A student must present this form, and readmission approval before an appropriate housing accommodation on campus can be selected.

VISITATION

The term visitation refers to a policy which permits a member of the opposite sex to visit, upon invitation, a student in his or her dormitory room. The phrase conventional dormitory refers to a residence hall in which men and women are assigned rooms on the upper floors. The options available for the next academic year are:

(Check one of the following)

☐ Visitation in the Freshman halls is limited to the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 11:00 a.m. to midnight on Sunday.

Upperclass Students

☐ Visitation from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and from 11:00 a.m. to midnight on Wednesday and Sunday.

☐ Visitation from 11:00 a.m. to midnight Sunday through Thursday and 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

☐ Visitation from 11:00 a.m. to midnight Sunday through Thursday and 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday in a conventional dormitory.

☐ Off campus living.

I agree to live by the College rules and regulations as found in the Student Handbook which govern visitation under the option checked above and the terms of the housing contract below.

SIGNATURE OF STUDENT _____

DATE _____

The option checked above has been discussed with me as the parent or guardian of the student named above, and I concur with the decision. Any student who is solely responsible for his or her college costs may sign in this space.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN _____

DATE _____

Please present this signed form together with readmission approval to the appropriate Residence Hall Director for a room assignment.

(SEE HOUSING CONTRACT ON REVERSE SIDE)

HOUSING CONTRACT

The College agrees to provide residential space for a full-time student who requests it and carries twelve or more credits per semester. The accommodations consist of a bed, mattress, chest of drawers or a dresser, desk, and chair, and each occupant is issued a key to the room for the duration of the contract. Not included are pillows, blankets, linen, towels, study lamps, irons, curtains or bedspreads. Provisions for storage of trunks and large suitcases are made in each residence hall, and these articles must be labeled with the student's name and room number before being stored.

There are a limited number of single rooms available for assignment. An additional charge is made each semester for a student living in a single room or for a double room occupied by one student. All room assignments are made by the Office of the Dean of Student Services, and a student may not change rooms once assigned except after consultation with the Dean.

The occupant of a room and his or her roommate is responsible for the condition of the room including cleanliness and damage to the furnishings, wall, floors and ceilings. Students are reminded that nails, tape, glue, etc., are not permitted on or in the walls of the room.

Certain items are prohibited in student rooms and are listed here: air conditioners, personal refrigerators over sixty watts, cooking and heating appliances, exterior radio or TV antennas, animals, firearms and illegal drugs.

Anyone in a dormitory to which he or she is not assigned to a room by the College is considered a guest. Guests must sign the guest book in the residence hall office. Guests of the opposite sex may remain in a room only during the specified hours of visitation. Guests are not permitted in residence halls during examination periods. Students from off campus may remain no longer than forty-eight hours.

Bicycle parking racks are provided outside each residence hall. Students may store their bicycles in their rooms during the break between the first and second semesters and during the second semester break. Provisions are made elsewhere for students to store bicycles over the summer months.

The College reserves the right to: (1) change any room assignment or rate; (2) enter any room for routine or emergency maintenance repairs and cleanliness inspections; (3) control use of rooms in the event of an epidemic; and (4) terminate the contract for visitation violations or for other reasons deemed sufficient by the Office of the Dean of Student Services.

The contract is binding for the academic year. A student who abandons the room once the semester is under way to reside off campus will be charged room and board for the remainder of the semester. Exceptions are those of illness and marriage.



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Pertaining to the front of the Residence Hall Life Style Agreement, Visitation Section, do you have any comments?

Basically, this is identical to what it was except that we attempted to dress it up from the standpoint of the lettering and so forth, to make it a little more visible as to what it was they were signing here. I don't think there is any change on this front side to my knowledge.

One sentence in the Visitation paragraph states that "Visitation would not begin in Residence Halls until after Registration and would not be in effect during Examination Periods, Reading Days and those days following." I believe this is a change from previous policy, where the individual dorms voted on visitation during this period.

Yes, that was a change. This has come about as a result of discussion with various faculty members and the Academic Dean, in that we are an academic institution and that's our prime purpose of being here. The period of examinations and the fact that reading days have been set aside for years and years primarily for the student's benefit to get ready for examinations proves it necessary to throw out visitation then. We've gotten a lot of complaints from the students themselves, and I mean a lot of it, indicating that they just don't want to be bothered with visitation during exams. We've got two sides to the coin, and it boils down to a very, very few people who would like to have visitation. Well, they can still go out; they're not confined to their rooms, so if they want to go out and visit, that's fine, but to protect those students who are trying to prepare for exams in the dormitories, and they have a right to privacy and quiet for study during that time, this was the reason for it.

Another question asked by the student body concerns the question of the definition of "guests" and in particular, if a member of one's same sex could go into a friend's dorm during the reading day or examination period.

Yes, as far as studying, if anybody wants to study with anybody during exams, if it's the opposite sex they would have to speak to the Residence Director, but it certainly would be permitted. There's nothing here to prevent people from studying. So if they want to study with somebody, that's fine. As for signing in, we've had some discussion over this guest bit and none of us have been signing in, for instance, if you live in one dorm and go over and visit someone of the same sex in another dorm nobody makes you sign in, and we're not going to do that. That's a hassle, and I don't see any point in it. This rule has been put in here for guests to protect the students and to keep people from wandering in from anywhere and everywhere. We had an incident in a dormitory just this fall. A young girl, college age, came in and went all over one of the dormitories and stole money from four rooms. To look at her you would have thought she was one of our students; it was close to the beginning of school.

Fortunately, she was caught, and she's been banned from the campus. This is to protect you all and your belongings, and your privacy within the dormitory.

When can a student sign his own Agreement?

Anyone, of course, that is paying for their full education. Their own signature is admissible there, and certainly anyone 21 years old and beyond would not have to have their parents sign the form.

If a student is paying the largest part of his fees, is the student allowed to sign the Agreement?

It is stated, "Any student who is solely responsible" which would mean they're paying it all. We've certainly never thought about that from that standpoint, but I think that is something that a student and his parents would have to iron out as to who is going to have that responsibility there.

The College agrees to provide a residential accommodation for a full-time student who requests it provided he is registered for twelve or more credits per semester. In case of Withdrawal during the academic year, a student is required to vacate his/her room within forty-eight (48) hours after withdrawing. Only College-assigned occupants may reside in College dormitory rooms or houses. No overnight visit(s) is permitted in any room by members of the opposite sex.

That's no different from anything; that's the same thing that's been on the housing contract for years.

A student must occupy the room to which is assigned by the Office of the Dean of Student Services. No student will be allowed to change a room assignment without the permission from the Dean of Student Services.

That's the same also, and the reason for that is that if we had everybody just deciding they are going to change rooms with somebody, nobody would ever know where anybody was. So this is a safety factor and it's not that we wouldn't allow them to make a change, we do, but we want them to be happy. We've got to have some organization about it, and somebody has to know who's living where. Nobody will be allowed to change their room during the first month of school in the fall. We've got to give people a chance to settle down. The freshmen are primarily our problem in the opening of school, to get them settled and straightened out roomwise. We run into all types of problems with freshmen, so we figured that the upperclassmen could ride it out for the first month of school and then, of course, we would make whatever changes were necessary.

The accommodations provided by the college consist of a bed, mattress, chest of drawers or a dress-desk, and chair and each occupant is issued a key to the room for the duration of the contract. Not included are pillows, blankets, linens, towels, study lamps, irons, curtains, or bedspreads. Provision for storage of trunks and large suitcases are made in each residence hall, and these articles

to be stored must be labeled with the student's name and room number before being stored. The College is not liable for loss of, or damage to, personal property belonging to a student.

That has not been changed from previous agreements.

If for any reason a student is storing something in the dorm and something goes wrong in the dorm, for instance, a water pipe breaks, will the college be liable for loss or damage?

The college does not carry insurance for this purpose. Anything that any student stores is at their own risk. We do everything we can to protect that property but if anything did happen, the college is not liable and that's always been the case. There's nothing new about that. Furnishings in the student's assigned room, lounges, parlors, and other areas, are not to be removed without permission from the Residence Director.

This is in here because students will take chairs, lamps, and tables out of the lounges and the parlors and put them into their rooms, and at the same time, remove the furnishings from their own rooms if they don't want to be bothered with them, or snitch additional bookcases and dressers, and you name it, from other student's rooms and get their rooms all set up. This is why this is in here, so that everybody has an equal chance to use the facilities there and what they're entitled to.

Between semesters and during the first and second semester breaks students may store their bicycles in their rooms. Bicycles may be stored over the summer in locations designated by the College.

Previously, students were not allowed ever to bring their bicycles into their rooms for these vacation periods, and they were left out in the sleet, snow, ice, rain, and you name it, and also to be stolen if that happens. I see no reason why students cannot put their bicycles in their rooms during that time. It would not be feasible to have them in there every day, go climbing up five flights of stairs to take a bicycle everyday, and I don't think anyone would want to do it in the first place. But I think over vacation periods, like the fall break and during Christmas vacation and during Spring Break, and this kind of thing, that in order to protect the bicycles I thought it was a sensible thing to allow them to put them in their own rooms—not in the corridors and the places of this nature—but in their own rooms, if they so chose to, which to me is an advantage to the students.

The following items are prohibited in student rooms: air conditioners, personal refrigerators over sixty watts, cooking and heating appliances, exterior radio or TV antennas, animals, firearms, ammunition, fire-crackers, similar explosives, and illegal drugs. No occupant or visitor will be permitted to collect or assemble or both, any amount of inflammable material which would constitute a fire hazard anywhere within the dormitory area; nor, will any occupant or visitor be allowed to kindle any type of fire other than a match or

light for the purpose of lighting cigarettes, cigars, or pipes within the dormitory area. No pets except goldfish are permitted in the Residence Halls. The College Police will remove from the campus any such pets with the cost borne by the student violating the regulation.

That's the same statement that's been in there with the exception that I spelled out what pets they could have because you wouldn't believe the things accumulated in the dormitories, anything from rabbits and ducks and chickens and dogs and cats and little alligators. So, it was put in as a humorous thing really, because this way if they've got something in there that is going to be a problem with all of us, then we've got something that will deter it, you see. It has been stated previously just "no pets." We've had one girl spend a month in the infirmary because of being allergic to a parakeet. This kind of thing. So, in order to spell it out so that everybody understands what we mean by no pets. We have a room over in one of the dorms now closed because of a rabbit there. This was last year and she got the rabbit and no one knew she had it. She went home for spring break and was gone ten days; when she came back her mattress and box springs had literally been torn to shreds. The odor is so bad in that room that we can't use it today. So you see why we have such a ruling? Nobody loves pets anymore than I do, I've got two dogs of my own.

Do you mean exactly goldfish, that is goldfish that are gold?

The reason that we arrived at goldfish here is we got to thinking if everybody over here wanted to have a tank, you know, that has to be hooked up electrically and water, this kind of thing, it could get to be a sticky situation. I'm sure if we were to run into one or two of those in various locations, nobody would say a word. But, if every student on the campus had one we would have a problem from the standpoint of electricity and from water and also water damage, when those things break, which sometimes they do, this type of thing. Now if it exists and nothing happens and there is no problem and we don't have an overflow of it, on one is going to say a word.

Another question comes about with the use of matches and the possession of a lit candle or incense.

This came about as a result of a situation that happened at Christmas, and also since then we've had another incident. During Christmas vacation, about two days after everybody had left the campus, one night one of the security police saw a light flickering upon third floor of Virginia. He thought someone was in there with a flashlight, so he went over there and went up and it was a candle, just the shell of it. It had burnt all the way down to the desk it was sitting on. If he hadn't found it when he did, we would have been minus one dormitory. Nobody intends to light candles and leave them this way, but people are careless, and we've got the

safety of everybody in that building to be concerned about. Therefore, we just prefer that candles are not burnt. That does not mean if somebody wants to have a birthday cake for their friends and have candles. You see, it's a matter of being sensible and not ridiculous about reading things into something that doesn't really exist. We had another incident just last week with another candle. So you see, it isn't just a one time thing, it's a constant thing, and, of course, I guess the safety and welfare of the students involved in those buildings are our biggest concern. You get that many people housed together and you get a fire, boy, you're in trouble.

Interviews by
On March 22, 1976
interviewed Juanita Clement, Dean of Student Services, in connection with the controversy arising from the Hall Life Style Housing Contract. She was asked to go through the elements contained in the contract. The cabinet was asked for general information on the standards. The interview is here in full. (Opposite page, three different illustrations.)

Each student is responsible for the general condition of the premises assigned to him or her, including damages, defacement, and general order. Charges for damages or defacement will be assessed the occupants, and must be paid promptly. Charges for damages to or defacement of any area in common use, such as bathroom, lounges, recreation room or corridor, may be assessed equally against residents in the appropriate using area.

That's nothing new either. They've always been responsible for the furnishings in the room which they occupy as well as the lounges and parlors. We're certainly not going to allow any student to go in and hack up a couch or chair if we know who it is and not do something about it. That's just common sense.

Is there any way students could record the present damages in their rooms at the beginning of the year so that they will not be charged for past damages at the end of the year?

Yes, we are going to have a card. It's in the process of being printed up now for you to have a

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chance to list all of the furnishings in your room and the condition, signed by both you and your Residence Director. At the end of the year you will sign out in the same procedure. If any damages show it will be right there on the card and, there won't be any question about it.

If for any reason a student's roommate withdraws from the room, the student remaining in the room, with approval of the Dean of Student Services, may have the privilege of one week to seek another roommate. The College reserves the right to make assignments when vacancies occur. When space is not filled, a student occupying a

have to do. They can move in with somebody or have them move in with them.

Would you notify someone in this predicament before placing someone in their room?

Oh, yes.

If no one is requesting a room at that time and there is someone living alone in a double room, will they be charged the double room rate?

We would indicate to them, those students who are in a similar predicament and if they choose to get together and team up and occupy a double room together, that solved it. If they refuse to do that then they would be charged a single room rate. If there is absolutely no one available, we cannot charge. We've never done that.

Guests in a residence hall must sign the guest book in the residence hall office. Guests of the opposite sex (maximum 3 per student assigned to the room) may visit in a room only during the specified hours of visitation. Guests are not permitted in residence halls during Reading Days or Examination Periods. Overnight guests of the same sex visiting in the residence hall must be registered in the guest book and may remain no longer than two consecutive nights.

That's the same statement, I think it was listed as 48 hours before. From the standpoint of guests, guests is defined in the handbook as meaning anyone who would come into a residence hall which does not reside there. That's not my definition, that's been in there all the time. I didn't write the handbook. Therefore, this is where some controversy came up, because when the parties started everybody had the feeling that if you lived on the campus then you were not a guest, which was not the case of at all. In a party situation, anybody that comes into that party to that party is a guest. But, from the standpoint of being practical, if you want to run over to Virginia and visit a girl, there's no problem. You're certainly not expected to sign the guestbook. We're going to spell this out in the handbook so people will understand what we want interpreted. But anybody from outside and anybody of the opposite sex would be expected to sign the guest book, which is just for your protection.

If a student is throwing a party in his room and wanted to invite both male and female guests, would he still be limited to 3 persons?

You could have three male guests and your roommate could have three male guests, and I think you certainly could be practical if you invite a girl for each of the men that were there, making it a practical situation. But, certainly beyond that would be too many because the space would not warrant it.

How did the number "Three per student" come about?

I don't know, that was done before I came, so I have no earthly idea, but that was the case. Mary Mahon, Mr. Merchant, Miss Drostle and Dr. Simpson were all involved in this ratio of 3:1. So, I don't know, but there it is. I'm having to live

with it, and I don't believe it's sacred.

My freshman year I thought the number in my dorm was five, or 5 seemed practical by the host-hostess. The dorms usually set a practical number, as was the case with the five in my dorm.

I think that rumor got around, and I attempted to find out about it and it was definitely a rumor.

Was a set number in the handbook?

Yes, this three to one is in there.

I know it is in this year's, but was it in the last year's handbook?

Now, that I don't know, because I haven't seen a copy of the one last year. I did investigate to find if there was anything about this five thing anywhere; it was definitely a rumor.

Members of the immediate family of a student (father, mother, sisters, brother, grandparents) may visit a student in his or her room any time until the closing hour of the residence hall.

This has been added because I feel that any student should be able to entertain members of her family. However, we don't encourage the parents to spend the night overnight or this kind of thing, because we are not really set up for that kind of visitation. But, I certainly feel that a student's parents should be able to come to visit them whenever they see fit or get away to come and visit. That was put in for the benefit of the students.

Does this include freshmen, as there is often a big question as to whether a father or brother can enter when there is no visitation in the dorm?

Sure they can, but I think the courteous thing to do is to let the Residence Director know that is the situation and there is going to be a father on the hall and warn the girls on that floor there is a man on the hall. That's just common sense.

Soliciting and peddling are prohibited, except with the written permission of the Dean of Student Services. Collections from, or deliveries to, individual student rooms, are not permitted.

This has always been the case and this again is to protect students. We've had everybody in the country wanting to sell this and sell that until our students are just drained. It's done to protect you, so that you don't have to cope with that kind of thing. We have let the Scouts go in and sell cookies; that's a one time thing, and we're all sort of Scout-minded. But not going from room to room. We've allowed them to come on campus in the parlors, this kind of thing. We have these bridal things and these linen things with the companies and they just demand. In fact they even make contacts within the dormitories by passing this office and set up dates and all this stuff and get publicity out. I've called the President of several of these companies this year and told them "No! Just stay out of here." This is in here to protect

the students. If it's something worthwhile, then that's a different story. But, to go into these dormitories and soliciting room by room, absolutely not. It's for your protection. We had a linen company that called over at Marshall and made all these arrangements to have this big thing over there one night. I just happened to hear about it, by the grapevine. The girl that was sort of heading it up over there didn't want to do it, but she couldn't say no. You know the problem. I happened to get wind of it and sent for her and got some of the details on it and called the company. Boy, there were nasty. This is all for the protection of the students. If we didn't, this place would always be in chaos with this kind of thing.

We had one girl for Avon this fall. She got into four rooms and was caught in the fourth one when somebody had the sense enough to realize she was not a college student. She looked like a college girl. She was arrested.

The College reserves the right to (1) change any room assignment or rate; (2) enter any room for routine or emergency maintenance, cleanliness inspections and other valid causes; (3) control use of room in the event of an epidemic; and (4) terminate the housing contract for violation of any of the provisions of this contract including visitation or for other reasons deemed sufficient by the Dean of Student Services.

That's the big dish; the big one. In essence it is the same as it was in the contract last year. It's been worded a little different. Statement 1: We've always reserved the right to change any room assignment or the rates. It's not that we're going to change the rates in the middle of the school term. Those rates are going to be stated prior, for instance, the rates have already been stated for next year, haven't they?

(Biggar) No. We haven't received word of them.

Well, they will be before you leave here, so you are going to know what your room and board are going to be next term. It isn't likely that it's going to change in the middle of the year. It never has. Statement 2: "Enter any room for routine or emergency maintenance, cleanliness inspection and other valid causes"—Well, every year we have cleanliness inspections. Mrs. Shelton and Mr. Fisco and more of their people come into the rooms. They're notified ahead of time that there will be an inspection. They're there looking strictly for damages and cleanliness, health situations and safety factors and this kind of thing, and when they finish all of the dorms, they make a report to Mr. Allison's office, and that's all it amounts to. They're not there looking for anything else. Statement 3: I'm sure that the third one, "to control use of rooms during an epidemic" is pretty obvious. I don't think that needs any explanation. Statement 4: We've always reserved the right to terminate the housing contract if any of the provisions of the contract have been violated. If you didn't, why have one, what good is it? The statement including visitation was in the contract last year. You see, the Judicial system

controls the visitation thing. They're supposed to control it. But suppose they say we're not going to bother anybody if they want to have visitors all night, overnight. We're not going to do anything about it. So you see, this protects us. That's the reason for it. It's not that we're going to take over the visitation. This is what they are thinking. That is not the case at all. We haven't bothered them this year, although I know of two incidents they've done absolutely nothing about. If they fail to do their job, then we will, and we told them that. In other words, they have a responsibility to the College to see that the rules and regulations are carried out. If they do not do their job, then we have no choice but to step in and do it for them, but we certainly don't want to see it moved in that direction.

Suppose Judicial Court makes a decision, punishes the party justly in their eyes and you do not agree with the punishment. Will you step in over their decision?

I think a one time offense, no. But I think if it is a recurring thing and that's all they ever did, we would have to take a look at it. We would call them in and discuss it with them, for sure.

In this section one of the other questions students are asking pertains to Statement 2, "enter any room for routine or emergency maintenance, cleanliness inspections and other valid causes." What do you call a valid cause?

Well, if for instance, we maybe smell smoke. If there is nobody in that room, we certainly are going to investigate. We're not going to let that building burn down. We had an incident where a girl had disappeared for two weeks, her father asked me to go into that room. I went. This was an emergency. We felt like we should do with that little clause, there is no way we could possibly spell out all of the examples of things that could fit here, but it certainly would be based on emergency things. How many rooms have I gone into? You see?

Is this an infringement on Search and Seizure?

No, no indeed. If we're going into a room on the basis of search and seizing, we're going to have a warrant.

Are there any cases where you do not need a warrant?

We have that privilege in our handbook. It gives it to us; but we certainly are not going to use it. We're not in business for this kind of thing. I tell you what I'm concerned about. All of a sudden I've got the feeling that we've got a lot of people with a lot of guilty consciences. What is it that they are trying to hide? I don't approach people this way; I like to trust people. I'm certainly not going to go into any rooms searching unless I have reason to being there searching and have a search warrant. They got all riled up over this incident over at Willard. I knew what I was doing. I had every right to do it, and if I had it to repeat, I would do it again. Here we had a girl missing, you let

Interviews Cont.

someone disappear for two weeks and the last person that had seen them alive was their father two weeks before late at night. The father asked me to go in the room. So I went, and I'd do the same thing for you if you had been missing for two weeks. I think you'd want me to find you, wouldn't you? So what is everybody hiding? Those students that have nothing to hide, I don't know. Well, take my room at home, I wouldn't object anyone going into my private home if I had been missing. I would expect someone to go into my room and see if they could find out something. I really am wondering what is everyone hiding. What is it everyone is afraid of? This country has been built on trust, and this is what I am sensing here—that nobody trusts anybody, and that's a bad way to be. It really is, it's frightening.

Opening and closing dates and times to begin and terminate room occupancy are specified in the College Calendar and must be observed. The residence halls will be closed during vacation periods and no student will be permitted to remain in the residence hall during these times.

This is primarily a financial factor. We attempted to keep the dorms open for the students for the Fall Break, which was originally set up as a study break, really. You know how many students we had on campus? Twenty three—and they weren't here studying. They were using it as a home base, and they were out all over creation. We had the infirmary tied up; we had the dining hall tied up. Well, this costs money, you see, so we just decided it from the financial standpoint. Naturally, we had to cut corners wherever we can, and this is one place where we can cut.

Will there be any facilities for those who cannot leave during breaks on campus?

No, we will not have anything open, except that we will make an effort to help those people find a place somewhere in town or somewhere. For instance, over Spring Break I had five or six who came in and found a place for them to stay over Spring Break. So, we are certainly conscious of the fact that we do have some exceptions, and we do everything we can to help them to resolve the problem. In no way would we ever put someone out on the street. I'll take them home with me.

In keeping with college policy, housing assignments are made without discrimination by reason of race, religion, color or national origin.

I don't think that needs an explanation.

This contract is binding for the academic year. A student who abandons the room during a semester, to reside off campus, will be charged room and board for the remainder of the semester. The Dean of Student Services may exempt a student from the contract in extreme circumstances.

This is an improvement over what it was. It had been for full academic year, and now it reads for a semester.

Does that mean someone could leave midsemester?

Well, we have cases constantly, and those are weighed. But, if someone, you know, engages a room, is taking up that space and it has been reserved and someone has been kept from having that space, then all of a sudden they decide to move out in town, in an apartment, they would have to pay for the room for the rest of the semester before they sign the contract.

Are any refunds made once the semester gets underway? No.

I have read the above regulations and agree to abide by the college rules and regulations as stated in the Housing Contract at Mary Washington College.

Everyone must sign this agreement if they expect to live in the dorm. They have to. I want to make this statement, we require no one to live on Campus. Many colleges do. They have this in order to be a student there, you have to reside in the dormitory. We don't have that regulation; therefore, anyone who does not sign this Housing Contract and be a part of it, doesn't have to. Nobody's going to make them live here.

Will these explanations that you have given me today be spelled out in the Handbook?

Yes, we just could not get everything on the back of this agreement. We would have five or six pages.

Do you have any other general comments you would like to express?

Well, except maybe this. I would like to see our students act mature about something like this and know the facts before they get riled up about something they don't even know what they are talking about. What changes really are here over last year is almost nil. It really is. Naturally from year to year, and probably next year, I will study this thing and realize the wording is now what it should be and correct it. But, to get all riled up over something they don't know what they're talking about just because they pick up rumors, isn't good for any society. I would like to see some trust built between students and the administration. The administration is working day and night to provide an atmosphere here that is conducive to enticing students and keeping students here. You won't find a better friend anywhere than this administration, but for some reason our leadership seems to think that there has to be a fence between us and they're on one side fighting and the administration is on the other side fighting, and it's ridiculous. I surely don't feel this way. I want to work with students and I think there has to be a feeling of trust between a group in order to work. I don't know what the problem is but it seems, as I said, everyone seems to be hiding something. I don't know. I'm not going out to see what they're hiding. If it hits me I will know, but I'm not looking for it. I think we've got a terrific school here. I really do. Mary Washington is unique in many, many ways. When you think of the freedoms that our students have here—they're free to come and go whenever they want to, day or night, do anything in the

world they want to do. I don't know what it is that they want. What do they want to do in these rooms that is bothering them? Now, this is what I would like to know, because I don't really know what it is. Now you think about living over in the dorm that you're in, don't you do pretty much what you want to do? And go wherever you want to go? Come back whenever you want to come back? What other freedoms could anybody want? Now, it's true that you're living in a dormitory situation, and that the fact that there are lots of people living there, there has to be rules and regulations, or you would have complete chaos. But, to me they're at a minimum; I just don't really see the problem. I think everybody's built something up that isn't there. Your rooms are your private rooms and that's the way it's going to be. I'll fight for that till my dying day. So, I don't know, but I think it's sad that we've got a student body here, supposedly highly intelligent, and who claims to be responsible citizens, mature enough to handle themselves, regardless, and yet this kind of reaction says to me they're not mature enough. But, we keep plugging and trying to convince them, but I think you could help play a big part in it, balancing out this thing, because I have no way to combat the rumors and they're there. I certainly cannot go out and talk to 2,000 students. There's no way. There's no place that could house them in the first place. I do in every opportunity try to correct these things as they come to my attention. I am a friend of the students and I'd like to have a little response from that direction on the part of the student body if we ever want to accomplish anything.

SA Executive Cabinet

Would you comment on the Life Style Agreement and Housing Contract which has been given to residential students for signatures.

A large number of students, both formally as Senators and informally, as individually students, have expressed extreme concern about the provisions of the Housing Contract and Life Style Agreement. They have some very valid reservations about it, especially in the areas of maximum number of guests, college right to enter any room for unspecified "valid causes", termination of the housing contract for violation violations and the extraction of right to personal visitation during examination periods, reading and those days following from individual dormitory discretion to administrative policy. We urge all students to read carefully the contract and be aware of what you are being asked to sign. In the meantime, we are working to try to work out a mutually satisfactory contract.

To begin with, in the Life Style Agreement there is a clause eliminating visitation during examination periods, reading days and those days following, with which we take opposition. Visitation in upperclassman dorms during these times has always been left to the discretion of the individual dorms. Visitation could be restricted

with the approval of 80 per cent of the dorm residents. The new policy would eliminate our prerogative in this decision. We believe this policy is a violation of our rights to use these days as we see fit. We are referred to as mature adults; therefore, we believe students should be able to choose for themselves whether or not to have personal visitation during these days. Past policy provides that students who infringe upon other students' rights to study by creating excessive noise are dealt with through judicial system. No dorm parties are allowed at these times. We do not see the conflict between personal visitation and study habits. We believe students are capable of conducting themselves in a mature manner during this time and their individual rights should not be abridged. We fail to see the justification for implementing this new policy. Therefore, on behalf of the student body, we conclude that the existing policy of "visitation during examination periods, reading days and those days following be decided by dorm policy," should be continued.

With respect to the actual housing contract, there are several provisions with which we are concerned and take objection. A contract, being a legal binding document, should not be so vague as to allow for numerous interpretations, as this one does. We are extremely concerned that the administration inserted several clauses that they state they do not intend to strictly enforce (ie. goldfish and candles), yet students have no guarantee that these regulations will not be applied arbitrarily and students have no indication of the subsequent penalty. Students are subject to all legal consequences, whatever they may be. There are so many exceptions to these rules, (ie. tropical fish, birthday candles, candlelight dinners), and we believe that in a legally binding contract these stipulations should not be inserted. If one partner of the agreement selects to be technical, then so can the other.

Other objectionable points are listed in the clause stating the college rights. Specifically, the recent addition to statement two that the college reserves the right to enter any room for "other valid causes." We believe that the administrators should maintain the right to enter a room for emergency situations, provided search and seizure procedures are followed. If we are required to live and abide by these rules, then we are entitled to the protection of state and civil rights. We protest the fact that the administration is unable-unwilling to define or enumerate this phrase. We are opposed to the insertion of this phrase without apparent justification or definition. We are also opposed to the college being able to revoke the Housing Contract for a visitation violation, considering that the

responsibility for enforcing these violations has been delegated to the student judiciary. Dean Clement stated to cabinet members that this provision was inserted to give the administration the right to terminate the housing contract if a large segment of the student body decided not to follow visitation regulations or if the judicial system decided not to handle all the cases. It was pointed out that the handbook contains provisions that in the event the judicial system did not function, the President of the College would have the authority to assume the responsibility, but not until then, and we see no reason for including this in the housing contract.

Another point is the college requirement of only three guests of the opposite sex (per person). This statement is in the handbook under the student rules section requiring the mutual consent of the President of the College, Student Association and the Dean of Student Services. This stipulation did not have the consent of the Student Association. We requested that it read as it has in years past, the number of guests be determined by the discretion of the host-hostess. We believe MWC students are adults and able to make this type of decision. When requested to return to the previous policy, the administration refused. Dr. Woodard has frequently stated that he regards us as mature adults. Therefore, we believe that the number of guests should be up to the discretion of the individual student, since our rooms are considered private. In addition, we cited many examples where students would have needed (graduation, study sessions, convocation) to sign in four or five members of the opposite sex and had to go drag friends to sign in their guests. This, according to the handbook, makes students responsible for other students' guests. However, Dr. Woodard remains unconvinced that there is a legitimate need and desire for eliminating this rule.

We might add that we are pleased at the administrative decision to accept our defense of present dorm sign-in policy of no MWC student of the same sex bring required to register. Though this point of the contract has been verbally clarified, we believe it is mandatory that this point, as well as several others, appear in writing in order to be a legal part of this contract and ensure the protection of the students.

In the final analysis, we would have less reason to complain had we not offered to work with Dean Clement in drawing up a housing contract which would meet the approval of both parties. The administration argues that no student is forced to live under this contract, but we believe the apparent dissatisfaction warrants a new contract which has the mutual agreement of both the student body and the administration.

The purpose of this section has been to offer an explanation and various comments on the Residence Hall and Life Style Agreement that has been passed out to residential students for next year. All readers are urged to respond to this section. The next issue of the *Bullet* will be devoted to such feedback.

Candidates Submit Campaign Endorsements

Peggy Earl

We the undersigned believe that Peggy Earl is the best candidate for Secretary-Treasurer of the Sophomore Class. Her past experiences as a student government leader, and her experience this year as an inter-dorm representative makes us feel that she is the most qualified for this position. We support Peggy Earl in her campaign for Secretary Treasurer of the Sophomore Class.

Manon Monyihan, Pres. Class of 77
Vicki Eppard
Lisa Bratton
Nancy Ives
Janet Woodward
and 75 others

Cindy Goforth

We, the undersigned, support Cindy Goforth for Sophomore Honor Representative. We believe she exhibits qualifications necessary for this position. Her deep conviction in Mary Washington's Honor Code, and proven desire to promote that conviction will enable her to function effectively. Therefore, we urge your support for Cindy Goforth in her quest for Sophomore Honor Representative.

Ellen O'Mara
P.J. Jones
Laura Buehanan
Betty Zegarski
Lisa Smith
and 9 others

Barbara Goliasch

We, the undersigned, support the candidacy of Barbara Goliasch for Publicity Chairman of the rising Sophomore Class. By running for this office in the fall, and now again in the spring, she has shown that she has the interest and motivation necessary to do a good job. We can affirm that she has done her job capably and will continue to do so if she is re-elected because she enjoys working with and for the students of Mary Washington.

Jane Reese, Pres. Class Council 75-76
Susan Fassnacht, Sec.-Treas. Class Council 75-76
Carolyn Alexander, Vice Pres. Jr. Class
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Senate Weekly

By Nina Biggar

Opening the March 23 Senate Meeting, President Kathy Diehl handed out the Vote of Confidence form. All Vote-of-Confidence forms are to be returned to Diehl at the next Senate meeting, March 30.

A student informed the Senate that there is a poll being circulated concerning the 1976-77 Housing Contract.

The new C-shop proposal of extended hours was voted on and approved by Executive Cabinet and the Senate.

Welfare Committee will circulate polls

requesting student opinion concerning dorm BYOB parties.

No reply has, as yet, been received in regard to the room deposit return.

The additional-lights proposal will be presented to Dr. Prince B. Woodard by the Welfare Committee as soon as an appointment can be made.

The 1976-77 Housing Contract is still being negotiated.

It was motioned that Executive Cabinet recommend that the Handbook be changed to allow dorm visitation on the last day of vacations.

A motion was passed which initiated an

investigation of the recent thefts of bicycles. Suggested solutions to this problem include increased security or variance of patrol hours and basement or room storage.

The Radio Committee report was updated.

The revisions for the 1976-77 Handbook should be posted. Students must approve these revisions by vote, during Class Council Elections.

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Fredericksburg Offers Local Birth Control Clinic

by Ivy Martin

Have you been voyaging down to D.C. or Richmond for birth control information? Little did you know that on the way, you could have stopped off around the block from here and found just about whatever you needed. The Fredericksburg Public Health Department at 435 Hunter Drive (by MW hospital) offers family planning clinics at 8 a.m. on the third Tuesday and the fourth Wednesday of every month. Admittedly, these hours aren't the greatest, but the Public Health Director has promised that there will be more hours if there is more demand.

If you need birth control, and choose to use the local facilities this is what you do:

1. Call 373-9231 and make an appointment.

2. When you go, the nurse will talk to you first, asking you about your medical history, etc.

3. You will then get a pelvic exam, a Pap smear, tests for syphilis and gonorrhea, and a breast examination. This is all performed by well-qualified personnel.

4. They recommend to you a form of birth control which they think best for you personally.

5. You are fitted for a prescribed method which you choose after their recommendation. (90 per cent of their patients choose the pill). They will insert a IUD at the Center.

6. In a month, you return for a follow-up exam to make sure everything is working well. Then you return for two more check-ups—one in 6 months, the other in a year.

7. If you experience any trouble before the follow-up (5 per cent of their patients do), you have an immediate consultation to find out the problem.

The procedure for a VC test is much simpler. No appointment is needed. Just show up on any Thursday between 2:30 and 4:00 and you will be tested right away. There is no charge for this service.

Pregnancy tests are also offered at the clinic for the minimal charge of three bills.

The charges are scaled according to your ability to pay. For birth control services, it can run from \$12 to nothing. However, you are charged for whatever method of birth control you decide on.

If you have been started on birth control somewhere out of town and you would like to take advantage of the convenience of the Fredericksburg clinic, they will do continuing exams and follow-ups or whatever. All they have to do is send for the records of your past experiences from the clinic or doctor that started you.

Abortion clinics are arranged individually so the patient has time to receive counseling and a convenient appointment with the outside clinic that will perform the service. The clinic most used by patients of the Public Health Department is in Fairfax County.

So why have you been traveling to the edges of the earth when everything you need is next door?

If you are worried by the clinic's location in Fredericksburg, backward city of the South—don't. All services offered by the clinic are strictly confidential. Believe me... I had a rough time even finding this much out!

For more information on birth control, V.D., abortion, etc., find a copy of *Our Bodies, Ourselves*. It has the basics on up to the details and was written by women for women.

Faculty Members Earn Doctorates

Four members of the Mary Washington College faculty have received their Doctor of Philosophy degrees during the past few weeks. The Ph.D., or doctorate, as it is commonly known, represents the culmination of the higher educational process. It follows study for the bachelor's degree and the master's degree and concludes in the writing of a book-length thesis on a specialized field of study.

The MWC faculty members who have recently been granted their doctorate degrees are Richard Hansen, assistant professor of English; David Cain, assistant professor of religion; Margaret Williamson, assistant professor of anthropology; Leslie Pitts, assistant professor of physics and Michael Bass, Assistant Professor of Biology.

Hansen, whose study focused on the nonfiction pamphlets of author Daniel Defoe, was granted his degree from Duke University. Cain studied Soren Kierkegaard, philosopher and theologian, in relation to Christian faith and dramatic literature, and received his degree from Princeton University.

Williamson, who spent a year in New Guinea researching her thesis on women in the Kwoma society, was awarded a doctorate from Oxford University, England, and Pitts, whose special field was physical acoustics, received his degree from Georgetown University. Bass, receiving his Ph.D. from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, researched environmental physiology.

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by Nina Biggar

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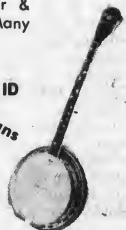
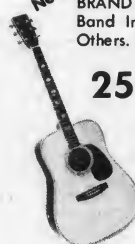
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Alumna Named To Chair at Oxford

A Mary Washington College graduate has become the first woman named to a prestigious chair in history in Oxford University, England. Willie Lee Rose, a 1947 graduate of the College who is the author of the award-winning *Rehearsal for Reconstruction*, has been selected as the 1977-78 Harold Vyvyan Harmsworth professor at Oxford. Among the previous Harmsworth professors have been such renowned historians as C. Vann Woodward, Oscar Handlin and Henry Steele Commager.

Rose, a professor of history at John Hopkins University, is noted for her studies and writings on American history. Her book, *Rehearsal for Reconstruction*, received the Francis Parkman Prize for its sound scholarship and literary excellence, and the book was also nominated for a National Book Award in 1964. She is co-author of *The National Experience* and her latest work, published by the Oxford University Press, is *Documentary History of Slavery in North America*.

She was previously associated with the University of Virginia as a Commonwealth Professor and as director of graduate studies for the Department of History.

Rose was honored by Mary Washington College in 1971 when she was named the recipient of the annual Distinguished Alumna Award, presented at spring homecoming.

Council Sponsors Trips

by Anne Hayes

Working in cooperation with Bike-Centennial 76 and the National Campus of the American Youth Hostels, The Potomac Area Council is currently interviewing and training qualified leaders for bicycle touring, backpacking and canoeing trips for teenagers.

The Potomac Area Council is now in its 43rd year of promoting outdoor recreation and service programs. Striving to "reorient young Americans with the traditions, scenic beauty, and people of our country," the Council Sponsors a number of outdoor trips each summer.

The hosting groups are coed, and are made up of eight to ten people roughly the same age. These groups are headed by a trained adult leader. Although each group follows a planned itinerary, enough room is left for each group to make its trip a truly individual experience.

This year the Potomac Area Council is seeking people with strong leadership potential to fill over 25 positions with the summer trips.

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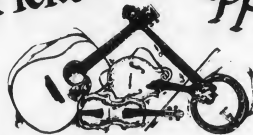
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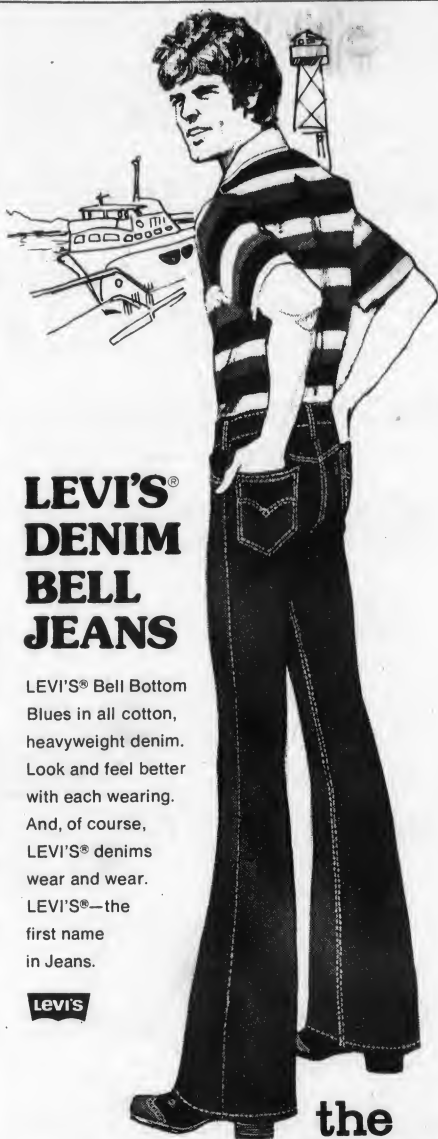
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